

Attorney Docket No.: 2734/MEINKE (053735-87543)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor: Michael BENJE  
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Title: PROCESS FOR REMOVING FINE DUST FROM ...  
Examiner: Jennifer A. Leung  
Group Art Unit: 1764

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicant requests that the time for taking action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for:

☐ one month                      ☒ three months  
☐ two months                      ☐ four months

The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17 for the extension of time is \$520 (the difference between the third and second month extension fee).

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( ) Applicant is a small entity entitled to pay reduced fees in this application.

A verified small entity statement:

( ) has been filed ( ) is enclosed.

Also enclosed is a:

( ) Response ( ) Notice of Appeal ( ) Appeal Brief  
(x) RCE

Respectfully submitted,



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<b>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</b>  Address to: Commissioner for Patents Box RCE Washington, DC 20231	Application Number	09/379,481
	Filing Date	August 23, 1999
	First Named Inventor	MICHAEL BENJE
	Art Unit	1764
	Examiner Name	JENNIFER A. LEUNG
	Attorney Docket Number	2734/MEINKE

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**  
 Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114**

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on July 21, 2003  
 (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other **Extension of Time**

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-1290
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed
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